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Parking problems persist as students chase ticket record

CITATIONS: Fed-up UM students say pave paradise, put in a parking lot

Matt Gouras
Kaimin Reporter

Through the first half of this school year, the number of parking citations issued on campus has already exceeded the total number issued all last year, according to the Office of

Campus Security.

So far, 14,319 citations have been written since July 1, 1998. At the current pace, the previous record of 23,305 citations written during the 1995-96 school year will likely be broken.

Some students, when faced with the prospect of being late to class or paying a ticket, will simply choose the citation.

"Usually I just drive around until I find a spot," said Cooper Berry, who estimates that the

search takes about 10 minutes.

"Sometimes, though, I will just park in a yellow (restricted spot). And, yeah, I have a few tickets."

To be sure, student complaints about parking are not new.

"I have students in my office all of the time talking about parking," said ASUM President Barrett Kaiser. "I suspect that every ASUM president for the past 20 years has had the same problem."

At this point, the cause for the increase in citations is left to speculation, according to Shelly Harshbarger, office supervisor of Campus Security, but certainly some answers can be found in recent trends.

Since 1996, the number of available parking spaces on campus has decreased, while the number of enrolled students has increased. Parking permit information is not yet complete for this academic year, but at the

end of last year, the total number of active parking decals hit an all-time high of 8,280 — 89 percent more than the 4,391 available parking spots.

And this year, because of campus construction, there are only 4,204 spots, according to Campus Security.

Those students that arrive on campus between 9:30 a.m. and 1:00 p.m. are facing an uphill battle in finding a parking spot,

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Universities face rough cuts

COMMITTEE: Giving taxpayers a break may mean sacrifices for the University System

Beth Britton
Kaimin Legislative Reporter

HELENA — Emotions are expected to run high today as Montana University System officials return to Helena to hear the final verdict on next biennium's budget.

Legislative committee members said the Friday session will give them a chance to finalize the budget and "clean up," but they said no major changes are expected.

Earlier this week, the committee announced more than \$10 million in cuts to proposed increases in state spending for higher education.

The Joint Appropriations Subcommittee on Education and Cultural Resources — the committee holding the purse strings — will wrap things up today, but the consequences of its actions will soon become reality for the campuses across Montana.

Committee Chair Rep. Royal Johnson, R-Billings, said the committee has a limited number of options available as it juggles higher education's millions, but he said there were several increases, including a \$3 million increase in tuition assistance for Montana's low-income students.

Johnson explained that the money appropriated by the Legislature is lump-sum funding, and that, while they can recommend to the Board of Regents where the money be spent, the Regents are constitutionally autonomous and can spend the money as they please.

Vice-Chair Sen. Daryl Toews, R-Lustre, said he hopes the Regents take a hard look at the committee's recommendations. He said no one wants to see diminished quality, but Montana's weak economy must receive attention this session. The Legislature, he said, is desperately working to give Montana's taxpayers a break, and that may ultimately mean the state's universities will have to sacrifice some of what he called "peripheral programs." Toews argued that the campuses need to focus on maintaining core academic programs.

"Let's get a focus on what we do, do it well and not try to do everything," he said. "We've approved all the normal growth, but not the frills."

The "frills" not receiving adequate funding in the upcoming biennium are, according to committee member Sen. Greg Jergeson, D-Chinook, building maintenance, library technology and research.

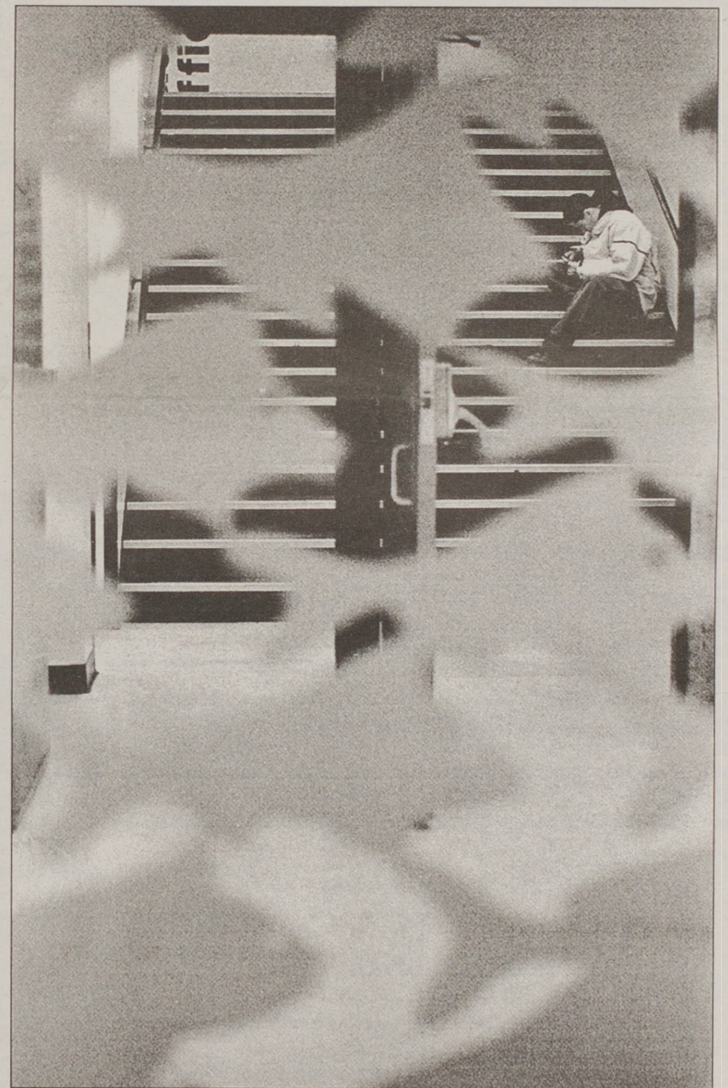
Jergeson said he was disappointed because, although the committee approved the base budget from 1997, distressing cuts were made to the libraries, which he referred to as the campus centerpieces.

"I think they've shown they're running a pretty tight ship," Jergeson said. "There ought to be some credit given to the progress they've made."

Three members of the committee were picky and went beyond asking questions during the University System's presentations, he said, and they often didn't give credibility to the answers they received. He called the attitude "corrosive" to the bipartisan committee's mission.

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Taking a peek



Senior Don Meyer pauses in the Social Science building stairway to fix a zipper on his wallet Thursday.

Cory Myers/Kaimin

Tuition cuts may mean expansion for two-year colleges

ENROLLMENT: Two-year schools don't have the space for new students

Nate Schweber
Kaimin Reporter

The issue of raising UM's tuition to reduce tuition at two-year colleges runs up against one

serious problem: Without major revisions, the technology schools have no room for more students.

Missoula College of Technology Dean Dennis Larum said his school is at its highest enrollment ever — and there's a 250-person waiting list. Admissions workers at two other UM-affiliate campuses, the Helena College of Technology of the University of Montana and Montana Tech

College of Technology in Butte, said their schools are also operating at maximum capacity.

"If there is no room for enrollment, what benefits would there be from increased enrollment?" Larum asked.

UM President George Dennison and other supporters of differentiated tuition say they want to make Montana's two-year schools about as affordable as

other states' technical schools. If the Montana Board of Regents approves the measure, it will increase UM's tuition by about 6 percent and drop tuition at two-year colleges by around 18 percent.

Dennison said he doesn't think raising tuition will make it unaffordable for some students to attend UM because there isn't room for them at the technical

schools.

"No one, including me, said the two-year schools are the size they should be," Dennison said. He added that it would be nice if the Legislature would pay for additional rooms and teachers, but they are not going to.

Danetta Lee, admissions officer at the Montana Tech College of

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OPINION

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Editor's note: In keeping with the spirit of cutting-edge opinion writing established by previous Kaimin editors, and practiced to perfection last semester by Thomas Mullen, we proudly continue our newest 1999 version. We hope to not offend any bruins, living or dead.

A GRIN to big, bad Denver Bronco John Elway for showing all of us that even semi-retired pro football players still have the moxie to win the Super Bowl — even without ever making a comeback. Right, Michael?

A TICKED-OFF GROWL to the Legislature for this week's installment of "As the Stomach Turns," the continuing saga of higher education funding. Thanks for dumping a load of seat on all the students who dug into their piggy banks to fund building projects around campus, only to find out that you pinheaded penny pinchers won't kick in the matching bucks.

A GROWL to those chicken-hearted wannabe lawyers for traumatizing my woodland friend Bertha the Moose by kidnapping her, forcing her to hang out in the musty, pompous confines of the Law School and then having the audacity to think that any red-blooded, All-American woman of any standing would ever consider dating them.

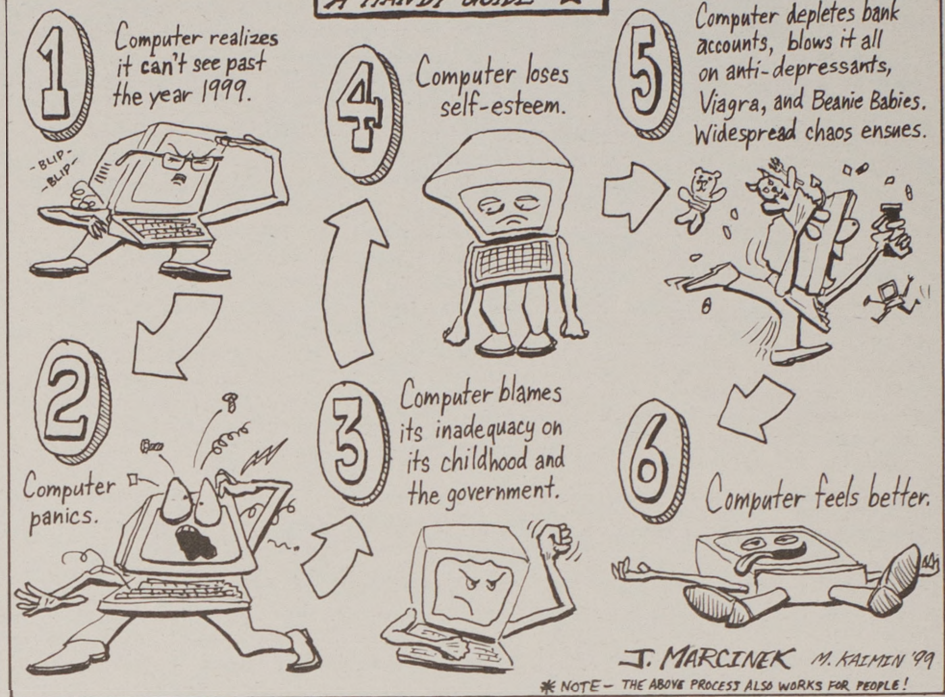
A FULL-FANGED GRIN to the Grizzly basketball team for hitchin' up their shorts and puttin' the hurt on those hapless forest felines, the Weber State Wildcats. So, what do you think? Can we get some nice seats in the new playhouse now, Wayne?

A FED-UP GROWL to UM's Campus Security for flunking Math 100 and figuring out that they can sell more campus parking permits than there are available spaces. Who taught you how to figure out that deal? A travel agent? And don't you think it's just a little too convenient that now you can write more parking citations to make more big bucks?

A GOOFY GRIN to Hillary Clinton for gearing up to run for the New York State Senate. Maybe now you can hook up with that Bill Bradley guy when you get there, dump "Wicked Willie" and try this First Lady thing over again. Or, on second thought, maybe you plan on getting someone else to play second fiddle with you this time around in the White House, eh?

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UM's classified staff tired of being silent

GUEST COLUMN:
Group of union, non-union staff voice frustration at being second-class citizens

Several weeks ago, the campus was provided with a communication from the HRS office concerning the recent negotiations between UM, MPEA union and the Montana University System. While we appreciate the administration's attempt to provide the campus with information on the negotiations, this particular update was disturbing to many staff — especially the reference to the bargaining team being "extremely hostile and adversarial" as well as "...angry, frustrated, and hostile..."

Successful union leaders have to be aggressive during the negotiations process. We feel certain that the very lengthy and drawn-out negotiations by the faculty for their current multi-year (4+2 years) contract which included large base pay increase were at times confrontational and that the UTU representatives were quite aggressive. UTU faculty members demanded their union leaders provide strong representation. Staff members expect the same from their union leaders. In addition, faculty have tenure protection — staff do not. Perhaps that does affect an individual staff member's willingness to speak out in

his/her work place about our strong feelings regarding ongoing negotiations. However, staff union leaders have every right and are EXPECTED to be as aggressive and forceful as any faculty union leader would be. The UM staff members are struggling daily with increased workloads and many are at poverty-level wages. Over 30 percent of staff have second jobs and many single parents qualify for food stamps. In addition, recruiting and retaining skilled classified employees on our campus is problematic. The plight of staff is a disgrace for the university system. The only power staff has to improve their lot is their union.

If this communication had been an update on faculty salary negotiations, these words would never have been written — a faculty member is expected to be outspoken and certainly aggressive in a union negotiation. This memorandum came off as very subjective reporting and did more to fuel anger and resentment than to inform. We ask that in the future campus communications, the HRS office provide only FACTUAL information on the negotiations process and leave opinions at the table.

We also find it interesting that the memorandum cited cost-of-living increase. In terms of our pay increases over the last 16 years, we have never had a cost-of-living adjustment. Now Mr. D'Hooze cites his 3 percent proposed raise as being higher

than the current 2 percent cost of living. What is lacking in this memorandum is the very significant fact that we are 20 percent behind what even social security recipients have received in increases since 1984, due to FIVE salary freezes and pay increases that obviously didn't even keep up with inflation. While the administration has balanced the UM budget, the faculty, administrators, teaching assistants and even post-retirement faculty (with 7 percent increases the past two years for one-third time teaching) continue to receive large salary increases. We are left with a 20 percent decrease in our buying power and increased insurance premiums to further denigrate our position. The salary proposed states that the new average raise for a staff member would be 0.33 cents per hour. This is \$26.30 per pay period BEFORE deductions! This is unconscionable and makes us wonder about the sincerity of President Dennison's statements over the past two years regarding staff salaries and the quality of work-life being a priority on The University of Montana campuses.

We are extremely tired of being the quiet, complacent and controlled group who sits by and watches ourselves being treated like second-class citizens of this campus community. Being aggressive is long overdue and we urge our staff representatives at the bargaining table to hold their own and continue providing strong leadership. We expect and will tolerate nothing less.

— 24 UM classified union and non-union staff members

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OPINION

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Letters to the Editor

More to the 6-mill levy story

Here is some important additional information about the six mill levy, CI-75, and the way they interact with each other:

The six-mill levy is a small part, not a large part, of the University system budget. One Kaimin story said that the levy is "14 percent of the state funding received by Montana's universities" but this is not quite right and in any event is misleading. Although the levy is 14 percent of "general fund" aid, most of the university budget comes from other sources: state support for building projects, private grants, loans, alumni gifts, and student tuition. A high estimate is that the 6-mill levy is about 6 percent of the total university income.

The reason the 6-mill levy ran into legal difficulties with CI-75 was because of the odd way the 6-mill levy was written. If the 6-mill levy had been a normal tax referendum — effective on a vote of the people — there would have been no potential inconsistency with CI-75. Unfortunately, the 6-mill drafters used idiosyncratic language to give the legislature, not the people, final say on the tax. Some argue that this rendered the 6-mill levy vote merely a public relations stunt with little real effect, and, of course, CI-75 requires real public votes, not sham ones.

One of your letter writers, Mr. Chris Woodall, has taken my name in vain. Contrary to his innuendo, I did not use university time or resources on the 6-mill levy issues or on any other campaign. Except for answering

unsolicited questions on a very few occasions, I was not involved in the 6-mill levy issue at all.

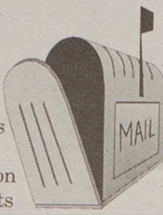
Also contrary to Mr. Woodall's claims, as a Montana ballot issue the 6-mill levy was subject to the same campaign finance laws that govern other ballot issues. His personal passions on a ballot issue do not exempt it from the state campaign finance laws, including the ban against diverting public resources into political campaigns.

I voted against the 6-mill levy because I love our university, and do not want it to continue to be inflicted by a clumsy bureaucratic system that puts our students and their families dead last. The 6-mill levy feeds that bureaucracy and makes it less responsive than it otherwise would be. As an alternative to top-down funding, I favor

generous state tuition grants for university and v-tech students. We Montanans have begun to move in that direction already, but I feared renewal of the levy might slow our progress.

Now that the voters have spoken, I have recommended publicly that the legislature use the 3/4 vote "override" provisions of CI-75 to preserve the levy. I urge those who have been trying to sabotage the election results on this and other ballot issues instead join together in good faith to implement the people's will.

Sincerely,
Professor Rob Natelson
President, Montana Conservatives & Chairman, Drafting Committee, CI-75



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Montana News

Montana's senators split on some impeachment votes

WASHINGTON (AP) — Montana's senators voted together on two of six roll call votes Thursday in the Senate's impeachment trial of President Clinton.

Democrat Max Baucus and Republican Conrad Burns both voted to allow use of videotaped depositions in public sessions of the trial. The Montanans also wound up on the same side on whether to admit the depositions of Monica Lewinsky, Vernon Jordan and Sidney Blumenthal into evidence. Burns voted in favor of calling Ms. Lewinsky to testify at the trial, and Baucus voted no. Baucus and Burns split again when the Senate voted 62-38 to allow the use of deposition videotapes and transcripts at the impeachment trial. Burns joined the majority of nine Democrats and 53 Republicans, while Baucus was with the minority of 36 Democrats and two Republicans.

Burns was in the majority again as the Senate rejected a motion to proceed to final arguments, deliberations and then a vote on the articles of impeachment. The vote was 56-44, with one Democrat and 55 Republicans carrying the vote. Baucus was one of 44 Democrats who voted yes.

National News

Cigarettes and cocaine linked to higher risk of miscarriage

Pregnant women who smoke cigarettes or use cocaine have a higher risk of miscarriage, the most common problem of pregnancy, a study has found.

While other studies have suggested a link, this was the first to use hair and urine testing to determine women's drug use and smoking, instead of relying on their own reports.

Smokers are almost twice as likely to miscarry as nonsmokers, and cocaine users are nearly one-and-a-half times as likely to miscarry as nonusers, according to the study.

About 15 percent of pregnancies end in spontaneous abortions treated by doctors, but many women do not seek medical care for early miscarriage.

The researchers looked at 970 women who sought emergency room treatment for miscarriage or other problems at the Hospital of the University of Pennsylvania in Philadelphia while they were less than 22 weeks pregnant.

Four hundred suffered a miscarriage, while 570 carried their pregnancies beyond 22 weeks.

Hair sample tests showed nearly 29 percent of the women who miscarried had used cocaine, compared to 20 percent of women with continuing pregnancies. Urine tests showed about 35 percent of the women who miscarried were smokers, compared to 22 percent of the nonsmokers.

International News

Iraqi smugglers benefit from U.N. embargo

BAGHDAD, Iraq (AP) — The U.N. embargo imposed after Iraq's 1990 invasion of Kuwait has isolated Iraq and crushed its middle class. But it has also created a boom for merchants who import or smuggle goods across the porous borders.

In some cases, the newly rich merchants are simple war profiteers, supplying a country in desperate need. But in others, Saddam's besieged regime has encouraged merchants from key families and tribes to help cement their backing, diplomats and analysts say.

The patronage is clearest in rural areas, where the government gives land, seed, fertilizers and farm machinery to tribal leaders, who in turn patrol the countryside for the government.

"The regime is trying to co-opt those who are not openly opposed to it and get them under their fold," said Moraiwid Tell, a professor at the University of Jordan. "The families know they can't do anything about the regime, so they live with it."

Some say Saddam's closest associates have profited from the cross-border trade, including his son Odai, who is widely believed to have made millions of dollars.

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Pizza shop, bakery hope to fill Freddy's shoes

New Neighbors: Pizza Schmizza and Bernice's Bakery hope to make friends while offering it all in the old Freddy's building

Charlotte Rushton
Kaimin Reporter

Peering in the window of the former Freddy's Feed and Read, you see bare wooden floors and a pile of boxed Sweetheart drinking straws. The question is: Whom will these straws belong to next?

Martha Newell, majority owner of the commercial building at 1221 Helen Ave., recently made her decision about the new renters amid substantial controversy. Not only did the community have an emotional attachment to Freddy's, but Roberta Manis of the University Area Homeowners' Association board of directors said the neighborhood is also concerned about parking problems that could be caused by the new renters—Pizza Schmizza and Bernice's Bakery.

A zoning change will also be required for the businesses to operate on these premises. Newell points out, however, that all the proposals would have required a zoning change.

Tom and Maya Frost hope to run Pizza Schmizza alongside a branch of Bernice's Bakery, to be run mainly by Lynda Austin, but also by Esther Chessin Ball. So, they say, there will be a pizza place and a coffee shop under the same roof, offering "a community gathering space."

Tom Frost said they are well aware that this building has "history and meaning to so many different people." He stresses their desire to do something fun for the neighborhood and create a family place where people will feel comfortable sending their children for a slice of pizza.

Newell is aware that many locals would prefer to see another grocery store, but, as a former manager of Freddy's, she knows that it simply doesn't work.

"People are not willing to buy all their weekly groceries at the neighborhood store," Newell said.

She points out that the Frosts are happy to stock simple items, such as milk and eggs. She also mourns Freddy's, but when faced with the task of deciding whom to rent the building to next, she said, "I feel real-

ly good about the choice we made. Being who they [the Frosts] are made me want to do business with them."

Both Frosts were keen to make it known that they want to preserve the character of the neighborhood. Maya was appointed executive director of the Jeannette Rankin Peace Center last year. Tom is looking to import goods from India, but, he said, "This [Pizza Schmizza] is our main focus. It will give me a chance to work actively with my children."

The Frosts moved to Missoula from Forest Grove, Ore., where their community presence was widespread. They listed a skateboard park, a local market for children to sell their crafts and downtown revitalization as a few of their projects there. They both explained that

Rumors have abounded that many locals are not happy with the idea of a pizza place and coffee shop to replace Freddy's. However, in an impromptu vote at a recent meeting for the newly-created Neighborhood Council—including renters and people who work in the area—112 of 135 people were in favor of this proposal.

Roberta Manis, who feels she can speak on behalf of the 152 active members of the University Area Homeowners' Association, feels differently.

"My responsibility as being on the board of directors," she said, "is to protect the underlying or existing zoning."

She voiced her concerns about inadequate parking for traffic coming from across town. But Tom Frost says

statistics from a similar Pizza Schmizza restaurant in Forest Grove indicate that there should be an average of only nine cars an hour for both businesses.

Nonetheless, Manis is "not convinced it is a fair comparison." She maintains that the Homeowners' Association's main aim is to make sure the neighborhood is "a nice place for families to be."

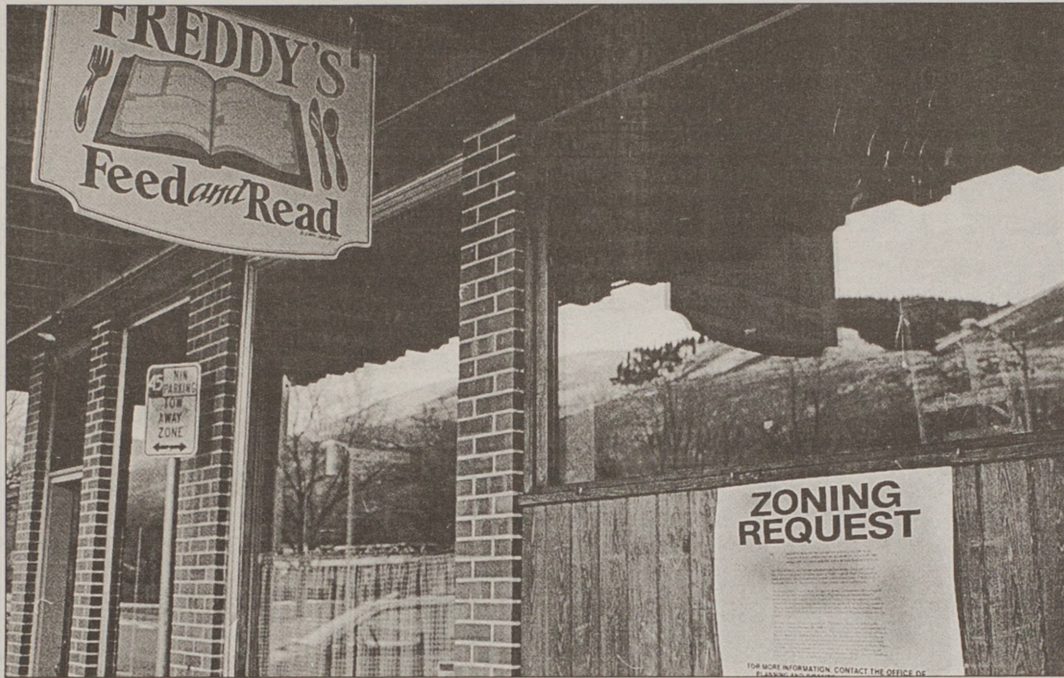
"When you start having parking problems and extra traffic, it's perhaps not a nice place for families to be."

Newell points out that the joint venture is targeting the University area and campus

staff, faculty and students who will not drive their cars. "This will pull less people to the neighborhood than Freddy's did because there are a lot of pizza places and coffee shops all over town," Newell said.

The matter will be discussed in a preliminary planning board meeting on Feb. 16, at 7:30 p.m. in City Council Chambers. Scott Morgan, chair of the committee, said he was unable to comment on this issue yet.

If all goes ahead, and re-zoning is allowed, the new businesses should open in mid-May.



Although neighbors mourn the loss of Freddy's Feed and Read, the new owners assure them that the new businesses, Pizza Schmizza and Bernice's Bakery, will be as much a part of the neighborhood as Freddy's was.

they moved here because they saw Missoula and thought, "This is what we've been looking for."

Lynda Austin, manager of Bernice's Bakery, said that Tom and Maya were their main motivator in getting involved with the venture. Bernice's was already interested but didn't have the cash flow to go it alone, she said. Newell apparently introduced the two businesses, knowing that the Frosts ideally wanted to share the space with a coffee shop. Austin described the couple as energetic, dynamic and successful and was clearly looking forward to starting the "emotional partnership," as she called it.

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Play plays with time

Stiv Wilson's latest production finds many paths to one dreamy moment



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From Left: Clare Thesing, Renata Godfrey and Jason Anthony rehearse for "Our Mouths, The Kissers" Thursday evening. The play is UM graduate Stiv Wilson's fourth in Missoula.

by Katie Oyan

First, a play. Next, a play within a play. Then, a play within a play within a play and so on, until you zig zag back to where you thought it started. But you didn't.

And that's just the beginning.

Not even the actors in "Our Mouths, The Kissers" could tell you exactly what's going on, but they do a fine job of throwing you into the deep end of Stiv Wilson's existential boy/girl original one-act play, now showing at the New Crystal Theatre.

The play, starring Clare Thesing, Jason Anothony and Renata Godfrey, has the actors playing actors (and a director), acting like they're acting and then just plain acting. (Huh? It makes a lot more sense if you see it.) The

story delves into topics of illusion, denial, frustration and the idea of living in the moment—all in the course of about one intense hour.

Wilson, a 1996 UM graduate of the creative writing program, wrote and directed the show. This is his fourth play to be shown in Missoula, but according to Wilson, "Our Mouths" was written from a somewhat different angle.

"Things I've done in the past were very wordy," he said. "With this one, I was trying to undermine words with action."

"I was trying to explain a moment and the different ways of arriving at that moment."

The "moment" Wilson is referring to is the one that the play eventually slams into: the kiss—two people arriving at the same silent

moment. The dialogue leading up to the "moment" is captivating, too, especially in a scene where Thesing wanders through a vivid description of her memory of the perfect, "weightless" kiss.

Wilson said he used the kiss to make his point because it captures the concept of wordless action.

"There are no words, there's no world, there's no reflection when a kiss is done right," he said.

Wilson will be leaving the country next week, and he said it was important to him to do this benefit to raise some cash for the Crystal before he left.

"They let me use the space so much, and they're hurting for money," he said.

"Our Mouths, The Kissers" is showing Feb. 5-7 at 9 p.m. at the New Crystal Theatre.

movie review

'Hilary and Jackie' examines sibling rivalry—genius-style

by Katie Oyan Anyone with brothers or sisters knows that things can get heated at times, especially with the help of a little good, old-fashioned sibling rivalry. Well, you ain't seen nothing like the goings-on between the siblings in "Hilary and Jackie."

Based on the non-fiction book "There's a Genius in the Family," by Hilary and Piers Du Pre, this two-hour movie tells the complicated tale of the relationship between the Du Pre sisters, played by Emily Watson and Rachel Griffiths.

It starts with the two girls as children, skipping jubilantly across a beach (the child-acting isn't spectacular, but better than most), holding hands, singing, making merry. They're such close pals it's almost eerie; they can actually read each others' minds.

The girls are soon impelled into the world of music by their piano-playing mother, and Hilary (Griffiths) is first to excel, as a prize-winning flutist. Jackie (Watson) winds up practicing incessantly just so she can spend more time playing music with her adored older sister, and over time Jackie becomes an expert cellist. The kicker here is that she never had any real passion for playing.

Well, Jackie becomes so extraordinary on the cello that she gets trapped in her success, performing concerts in Moscow and Madrid and all over, while she'd rather be at home. Meanwhile, her sister all but gives up on the flute, finds a nice chap (David Morrissey) and decides to get hitched. From here on it gets pretty intense as Hilary teeters between deep affection for her sister and jealousy of her incredible talent; while conversely, all Jackie wants is to be part of her sister's more ordinary life.

Jackie's already over-zealous longing to be close to her sister becomes more like full-fledged psycho material in an "Are you kidding me?" mid-movie scene. After that shocking part, Jackie moves in on her sister's life until Hilary can't take anymore tip-toeing around her neurotic sister.

What's left is the really heart-wrenching part. Jackie, still miserably unhappy, is suddenly dying and unable to play the cello. The ending involves a lot of gratuitous suffering, but it comes full-circle and leaves viewers damn glad they're not geniuses.

Overall, this movie, directed by Anand Tucker, is poignant and compelling, though more than a little twisted. The story is told from two different perspectives, both Hilary's and Jackie's, which makes the movie even more engaging, and the acting is top-notch.

"Hilary and Jackie" plays nightly at the New Crystal Theatre at 7 p.m.

PHOTO SHOW FEATURES EASTERN MONTANA

by Paul Macias

Since Monday, the rolling farmlands and huge skies of Eastern Montana have covered the walls of UM's Meloy Gallery in a 42-piece photography exhibit titled, "Framing a Boundless Horizon: The Formation of a Rural Sense of Place."

The exhibit displays the extremity of seasons and the tranquility of a lifestyle that exists beneath the ever-changing sky of Eastern Montana.

"First Days of Spring," by Gus Wolfe, is a color photo in the exhibit that shows the extreme and tranquil. A rancher pushes—arms out and head down—on a gate made of young timber. Falling snow blows in the fierce wind. The crooked roofs of two wooden structures in the background show evidence of many harsh winters, and the rancher—well, his struggle shows that too.

Cindy Kittredge designed the show that features 11 photographers. Kittredge's writings accompany the photography and discuss the theme of "rootedness"

between the farmers of Eastern Montana and their natural landscape.

Kittredge's research for the written portion of the project began in the Fall of 1996, when she interviewed 40 farmers and ranchers from the five least populous counties in Montana.

"It was impossible for them to separate themselves from their place," said Kittredge, who calls the show "a melding of the physical and psychological."

Having grown up on a ranch outside of Great Falls, Kittredge is fascinated by the way a person who is unfamiliar with the landscape of Eastern Montana might react to the exhibit. "Someone from an urban setting may see too much openness."

Kittredge encourages people to pick up two L-shaped pieces of matting—available in the gallery—to take to each photo and create their own frames.

John Hooten is one of 11 artists featured in the photography exhibit "Framing a Boundless Horizon: The Formation of a Rural Sense of Place." This piece by Hooten is called "Minuteman K-8."



"I'm curious how people frame their landscape. Do you want a little portion or a big expanse?"

"Framing a Boundless Horizon: The Formation of a Rural Sense of Place" will show through Feb. 27, in the Meloy Gallery, in the P.A.R.T.V. Building. The opening reception will be Friday, Feb. 5 from 4-7 p.m.

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Victuals: articles of food

by Paul Macias



Missoula Cuisine: One chef offers his perspective

Someone traveling and dining around Montana for the first time will probably find all the stereotypes that precede Big Sky cuisine to be true: eggs, bacon, and bacon grease for breakfast—some form of beef and potatoes for dinner. But if that same person stumbles upon Missoula, he or she will discover that there's an exception to the rule: Missoula—a city where ethnic cuisine is abundant and healthy alternatives go beyond an iceberg-lettuce salad with a pinch of shredded carrots and a squirt of ranch dressing.

Scott Gill, a 36-year-old chef from northern California, has worked in Missoula's restaurant scene for 10 years and knows well that Missoula wasn't always the cuisine mecca of Montana.

Gill was invited to Missoula by prospective restaurant proprietor, Abe Ghaddar. Ghaddar liked the emphasis Gill placed on fresh and seasonal cuisine at Gill's family restaurant in Redding, California and wanted to bring that emphasis to downtown Missoula.

In May, 1988, Gill worked as the head chef and kitchen manager and helped Ghaddar open The Green Leaf restaurant on the corner

of Front and Main St. (where El Cazador is now.) The Green Leaf, Gill said, became the second place in town to serve espresso and the first restaurant to emphasize fresh and light cuisine.

"People didn't know how to eat an artichoke," said Gill. "They didn't know what a sun-dried tomato was."

Gill emphasized educating his wait staff. He wanted a waiter or waitress to spend time with the customer instead of gliding up to the table, delivering a deluge of intimidating language about "avant garde" cuisine, and then leaving them alone to figure it out.

"What I realized was that people were willing to try if you could talk with them," Gill said.

Now, Missoula's restaurant scene has a representative for almost every mainstream ethnic cuisine, and some of the older establishments like Zimorino's or Casa Pablo's have gained heavy competition within their markets.

Ethnic vegetarian cuisine has also gained popularity with the Missoula community who voted the East Indian restaurant, Tipu's Tiger "Best New Restaurant in Missoula" in 1997.

Traditional Montana cuisine still exists in Missoula, but many residents are choosing lighter meals and foods with exotic seasonings.

"People don't want to go out to lunch and have a French Dip," said Gill. "Those days are over."

Column: Just when I thought college was easy, it hardened

by Rachel McLellan

Last week, as often happens, I had to remind myself of the obvious—that college is hard.

Yes, it seems all my childhood nightmares reigned truth and every ounce of senior cockiness in my blood proved itself dreadfully misguided.

It must have been the seven semesters of college—with varying degrees of success—under my belt that made me think one more semester would pop right under there...effortlessly.

So it was my collegiate empiricism combined with five weeks to forget the horror! The horror!—of final papers, final projects, final grades and final happiness depravation—that allowed me to arrive, however brief my stay, at the idea that college was easy.

What's that ringing, Cindy Loo? You say it's my wake-up call. Boo hoo.

It came in the form of a Russian "good day."



"Dobryi den!" my professor said as she hastily walked into the room on the first day of Russian culture class. The few other students sitting in the room smiled the

smiles of people who comprehend Russian.

Quiz: Which one of these students does not belong?

A: The zhenshchina (woman) with the baffled and frightened look on her face, i.e. me.

The professor

answered the question correctly too. She halted, looked at me and said, "Have you had three years of Russian?"

And you thought stupid things only happened to you. I put on my coat two minutes after I had taken it off as I explained that I thought it was a Russian-culture class not a Russian-culture class taught in Russian.

And though taking a class taught in Russian with no knowledge of Russian would have proved my new thesis—that college is hard—beyond a reasonable doubt, this was not what made me come to that

conclusion. Rather, it was a circumstance that arose from my excommunication from Russian Culture. I was back in the market for a new upper-division class.

With two art classes already, I knew any more studio time would throw me into clayslinging convulsions. And with one literature class already, I knew any more reading would send my A.D.H.D. mind and body into librarian-blasphemy page-tearing fits.

Why the course-selection book was causing enough stress. Every page brought a new sense of cowardice as I pondered the difficulty of each class after hard class.

So what should a senior already bogged down with school and work and homework do? Why read the 1000-plus Russian classics of course. Some Tolstoy and Dostoevski to pass the time! Yes Russian Literature (taught in English). College is hard anyway, I figured. In retrospect, five weeks after I've graduated, I'll go back to living the lie. Russian Literature, Billiards—It will all be the same to me—cake.

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Too many rentals, too many renters?

HOMEOWNERS: City Council should set new occupancy standards for U-area

Benjamin Shors
for the Kaimin

A University-area resident has asked the Missoula City Council to limit the number of unrelated people who can live in the same house, after her own study of 9-1-1 calls indicated increased crime rates in the university neighborhood.

Roberta Manis, a member of the University Area Homeowners Association, presented the council with statistics that she said show a 307 percent increase in the number of disturbance calls, as well as a 266 percent increase in theft calls and a 120 percent increase in vandalism calls. Total calls to 9-1-1 from the area, which extends from South Fifth Street East to South Avenue and from Higgins Avenue to Arthur, increased 136 percent, Manis said.

Manis drew the figures from 9-1-1 calls in the first six months of each of the past three years.

Missoula Chief of Police Pete Lawrensen said his office had no

data available to compare Manis' study to overall increases in crime-related calls in Missoula.

"I'll take what Roberta said with a grain of salt," Lawrensen said. "I wouldn't categorize it as a bad problem. We've had some concerns."

Three years ago, the city dropped the "family definition" of occupancy standards—which limited the number of unrelated adults sharing a house to two—after threats of a lawsuit and cries of discrimination.

Manis' proposal would again attempt to limit the number of people who can share a house, although it would make allowances for large families and for elderly adults who live with their children, she said.

No proposal outlining the number of students in a house has been set, and Manis said that she doesn't know how many residences would be influenced. And whether the increase in crime in the area can be tied to an increase in students has yet to be demonstrated.

Manis said she didn't think UM students were responsible for the crime-rate increase indicated by her study.

Manis said she expected that

the occupancy standards would "apply across the board," affecting all of Missoula and not just the University area.

Some students living in the area don't share Manis' concerns, though.

The dark streets skirting the UM campus don't bother Danielle Kaady, a UM junior.

"I feel safe walking around here at night," said Kaddy. "This is heaven compared to Portland (Ore.)."

"We've had some problems with theft, and it wasn't students," said Mike Holmquist, also a junior at UM. Police arrested an older couple for the recent break-in at his house.

Neighbors had asked him to keep it down before, Holmquist said. He added that when permanent residents lived next to students, "There'll be problems, I'll bet."

But Manis doesn't want to be vilified.

"It's not that we don't like students," she said. "We've made some nice friendships with them. They enrich my life ... It's just the quantity."

"I'm not going to have my neighborhood destroyed," Manis said.

Health Sciences looking to expand

ADDITION: Facilities Services requests Legislature's OK to add classrooms, labs and storage in new science building

Alex Perkins
for the Kaimin

A plan for a \$23 million addition to UM's Health Sciences building went before the Montana Legislature on Tuesday, according to Jameel Chaudhry, a Facilities Services architect working to get the plan passed.

The project was originally passed by the state Legislature in 1991 as a \$12 million plan and has since been restructured and sent back before the Legislature

to meet the department's growing needs, according to Chaudhry. He said Facilities Services is currently seeking authorization for the project, and if they receive it they will focus their efforts mainly on finding the money to begin building.

Chaudhry said the planners are currently looking for funding through the UM Foundation by sending the proposal to various groups that may be interested, but up to this point they have only received promises.

Possible sources include alumni, private corporations, private donors and federal and state government, he said.

The department began restructuring the plan after their designers began to look at the project this summer, said Don Christian, the associate dean of

the Division of Biological Sciences. Unusually high enrollment was a major reason for this, he said.

"We've increased much more rapidly than the rest of the university," Christian said.

The plan aims to improve research facilities at UM and centralize the Biological Sciences department, according to Christian. The four-story building would be attached to the west end of the Health Sciences building and would run north to south. Christian said 25 percent of this will be for classes, another 25 percent will be for storage and the rest of the building will be used for research labs. The labs currently in use would be turned into classrooms if the plan goes through.

Christian said that the reasons for the plan go beyond lack of space and a central location. He said one of the primary goals of the addition is to keep up with current beliefs regarding the study of science.

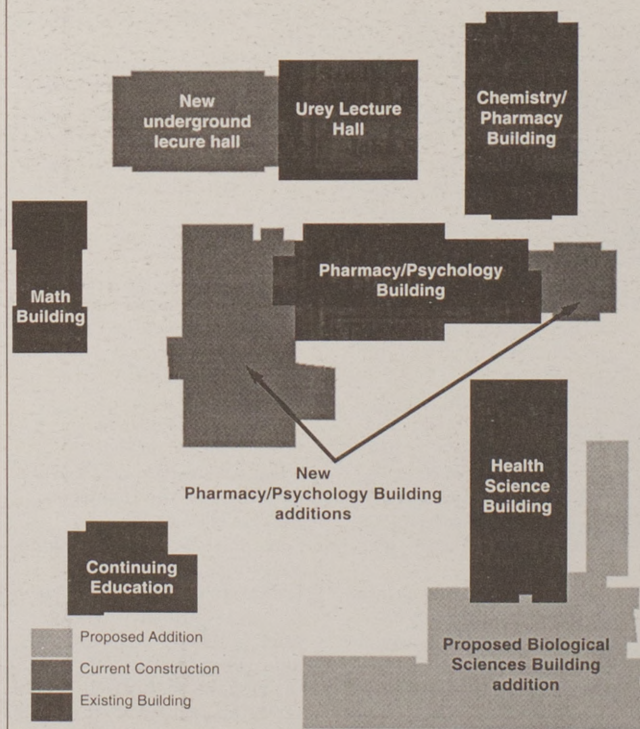
"Thirty years ago or 20 years ago, science was more of an individual effort. Now a lot of the key strides are made by teams of people," Christian said. "You don't help people learn to work together in teams or groups if you have facilities that don't facilitate people working and talking together," he said.

Another problem that must be faced is maintenance and operation costs of the building.

"The projected maintenance for this building is over \$400,000 a year, which is more than anything this department can absorb," said Christian.

Chaudhry said that the project planners are trying to get the state government to take care of that.

Christian said that if everything goes smoothly the project will begin in four years.

A look at campus construction

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RACING: Newest wintertime competition sends snowboarders hurling over hill and dale

Thea Bergeron
for the Kaimin

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The term "boarder-cross" is derived from the dry-land sports of motocross and BMX racing. There are similar aspects designed in the course in the form of bumps, berms and jumps.

"These aspects make the course more difficult and fun for the racers," said Wright Hollingsworth, owner of Board of Missoula. "Spectators are getting into the competition because the racers aren't going against the clock. They are racing other riders so it is a great sport to watch."

Snowboarders hoot and holler their way down the course and as Sariss McComb, a competitor and Marshall Mountain snowboard instructor, said, the thrill is in the race and the biggest air she can catch at the bottom to impress fans.

Boarders interested in racing must have a team consisting of three boarders. Each team must pay a \$100 entrance fee to participate. There are two age groups, 17 and under and 18 and older.

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Each person receives points for how they place in the individual heats. First place gets 10 points, second place gets eight, third receives six and fourth gets four points. At the end of the six-week competition, the team with the most points accumulated wins Marshall's First Annual Boarder-Cross Competition.

Prizes are awarded every night after the races have been completed. Feb. 19 is the final night of racing and will be followed by a party and an awards ceremony.

"Prizes include backpacks, helmets, gift certificates, and boarding supplies," Hollingsworth said.

Besides the new sport bringing snowboarding to more progressive levels and televised coverage, Marshall Mountain Ski School Director Jeffrey Wojak says it is fairly cheap and easy to participate if you know how to snowboard.

"All you need is the equipment you use in everyday riding," Wojak said. "The only difference is that all riders must wear a helmet."

The races begin at 7:00 p.m. every Friday night. Registration begins at 6:00 p.m. If you are interested or have any questions concerning the boarder-cross races, call Marshall Mountain at 258-6000.

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Committee

Committee member Rep. Peggy Bergsagel, R-Billings, said the committee was doing its job by asking tough questions.

"They think I'm just mean, but I'm not," Bergsagel said. "I would have more empathy if they could tell me where more efficiency could be found."

Bergsagel said Montanans can't continue to fund a system they can't afford. Like Toews, Bergsagel said the campuses need to prioritize and spend

Montana taxpayer money wisely.

"We've been so generous to the University System at the taxpayers' expense," she said.

Even as Montanans have dropped to near the bottom ranking in per capita income, Bergsagel said, they've continued to rank 13th in percentage of per capita income spent on higher education.

The committee is expected to finalize the University System's budget today.

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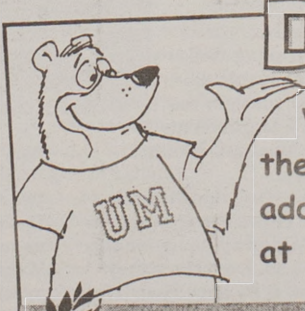
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GRIZ DEMOLISH WEBER 87-53 TO PULL OFF THE

Upset SPECIAL

Chad Dundas
Kaimin Sports Editor

It appears as if coach Don Holst has taught these young pups some old tricks.

The match-up zone, a defense former head coach Jud Heathcote brought to UM in the early 70s, returned to Missoula in triumphant fashion Thursday night, spurring the Grizzlies to an 87-53 annihilation of the Weber State Wildcats.

Weber (17-7,8-3), who came into the contest having won three straight, saw their plans to seize control of the Big Sky Conference put on ice, at least for the time being. The upset win snapped Montana's seven-game losing streak and moved the Griz to 9-12, 2-8.

"This group has really hung in there," forward Mat Seidensticker said of the streak. "We knew that there were going to be good times down the road and luckily they happened to be tonight. Coming in, we knew that we were the best 1-8 team in the conference."

The Griz finished with five players in double figures. Forward Matt Williams spearheaded the charge with 17 points, 13 of which came in the second half. Close on his heels was center Bob Olson, who finished with 13, Seidensticker with 12, Mike Warhank with 11, and Jared

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—Don Holst
Griz head coach

and was ordered to leave the game. He walked out under his own power. Due to his ejection, Arceneaux will be



Cory Myers/Kaimin
Montana guard Cory Reiser blows by a Weber State defender with the help of a Bob Olson pick Thursday night. The Grizzlies stomped the Wildcats 87-53.

Buckmaster with 10. Seidensticker also collected four steals.

"All the guys really keyed in on everything we wanted them to do tonight," Holst said. "It wasn't just one player, it was a total team effort."

Montana's "new look" defense seemed to befuddle the Wildcats, who turned the ball over 21 times and shot a dismal 29 percent from the field. At one point in the first

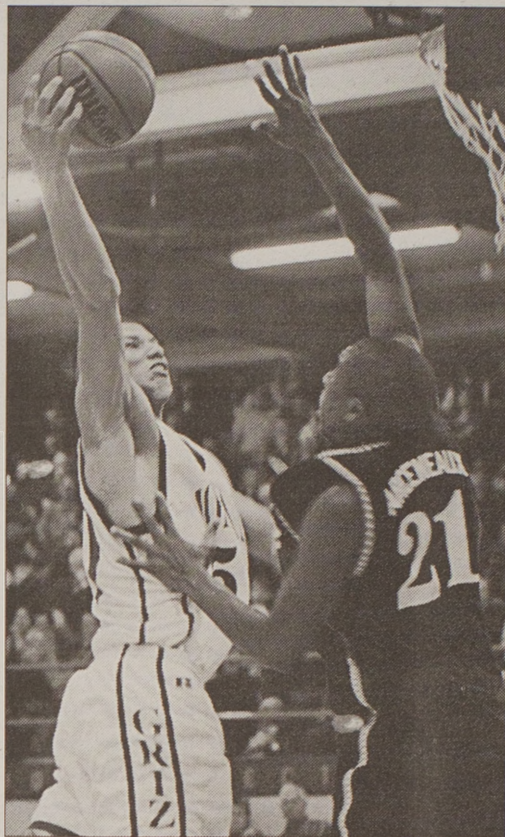
half, Weber went 12 minutes without a field goal. By the break, UM led 40-20, holding WSU to their lowest point total of any half this season.

The situation only got worse for the Wildcats who, already trailing by 30 with five minutes remaining, saw the gem of their offense, Harold Arceneaux, injure his knee and get ejected from the game on the same play.

Arceneaux, the Big Sky's leading scorer, twisted his knee while attempting to grab a defensive rebound. As he crumpled to the floor in pain, Arceneaux threw a punch at UM's Williams

and was ordered to leave the game. He walked out under his own power.

Due to his ejection, Arceneaux will be



Cory Myers/Kaimin
Grizzly forward Matt Williams, who led all scorers with 17, soars over Weber State's Harold Arceneux for the bucket.

forced to sit out Weber's next game, against Sac State on Saturday.

Despite missing the final minutes, Arceneaux was Weber's top scorer, finishing with 13 points as well as 10 rebounds. The other two All-Conference Wildcats, Eddie Gill and Damien Baskerville, both contributed 9 points to Weber's losing effort.

Following the game, Holst had no trouble summing up what the game meant to Montana.

"We talked a lot (before the game) about respect for the Grizzly basketball program," Holst said. "Why they play here and why I coach here. That's what this game was all about."

The Griz face the Idaho State Bengals (4-16, 2-8) in Missoula on Monday. Other than Weber, ISU is the only other Big Sky team UM has beaten this year.

Lady Griz come up short against Wildcats

BASKETBALL: First half shooting drought puts the hurt on Selvig & Co.

Courtney Lowery
Kaimin Sports Reporter

"Close," "almost" and "right there" are not among UM Lady Griz coach Robin Selvig's favorite phrases at this point in the season.

The Lady Griz were tripped up once again last night in Ogden, Utah where the Weber State Wildcats (9-11, 8-3) defeated them 57-52.

In seven of the 13 total losses Montana has suffered this season, including their last three, the Lady Griz have lost by fewer than ten points.

"We're playing good teams close," Selvig told KLCY after the game. "Almost just isn't very much fun."

It was Montana's 21 percent first-half shooting that put the hurt on them, but coach Selvig said strong defense kept them

breathing down the Wildcats' necks. Before the contest, Selvig stressed that defense would be the key against the Wildcats and after the game, he told KLCY that he was correct.

"Shooting the ol' 21 percent in the first half dug us into a hole," Selvig said. "Luckily, our defense was strong, so we were not in bad shape going into the second half."

The first half ended with UM trailing Weber 18-22. That spread didn't increase much in the second half, but unfortunately for Montana, it didn't lessen either.

The Lady Griz hung close to Weber the entire game, never letting the Wildcats get more than a ten-point lead. Even then, they didn't allow it for more than a few possessions.

Weber's Joan Langford got the outside game going in the second half by draining three consecutive shots from beyond the arc. Teammate Shelley Olson joined in

the fun, hitting another long-range strike that put Weber up 51-42.

A rather unlikely contestant in the 3-point shoot-out was UM's junior center, Linda Weyler. Weyler had only attempted nine shots from 3-point land this season but last night she answered Langford and Olson...twice.

Weyler's sharpshooting swung the momentum in the Lady Griz's direction and tightened the Wildcats' lead to six points. Weyler poured in another two-point bucket and Freshman

Amy Phillips nailed a big three that gave UM an 8-0 run with just two minutes remaining. Unfortunately, this swing of momentum wasn't enough and Weber held on to notch a five point victory.

Statistically, the Lady Griz matched fairly evenly with the Wildcats, pulling down only one less rebound and matching turnovers at 14. Weyler led UM with yet another double-double,

racking in 18 points and 12 rebounds. Linda Cummings was right behind her with 15 points and six rebounds.

Weber was led by Brianna Kanongata's 14 points. Kanongata shot a perfect 6-6 from the field and 2-2 from the free throw line. Guard Shelley Olson also chipped in 13 points, nine of which were from beyond the three point arc.

Now, after suffering another loss, the Lady Griz must gear up for tonight's match up with the eighth place Idaho State Bengals (5-15, 3-7). The Bengals have been struggling a bit this season but last weekend they pulled out a win against Northern Arizona (9-10, 3-6).

NAU beat Montana 66-50 earlier in the season in Arizona. The one time the Lady Griz took on ISU this year, the Bengals fell 65-52 in Missoula at the Sentinel Gym.

Tip off is at 7:35 p.m. in Pocatello, Idaho.



SPORTS

Field House seating issues still on hold

RENOVATION: Likely changes include decrease in number of seats, location of student seating area

Mike Cimmino
Kaimin Sports Reporter

Students who attend Grizzly basketball games will have to wait until at least next week to find out where they'll be sitting once renovations to the Harry Adams Field House are complete, said UM Athletic Director Wayne Hogan.

"One of our biggest goals is to have students sit down low where the biggest impact is happening," Hogan said.

Hogan explained that a number of different options for student seating are still

being weighed. One option being considered would put the student body in the North A and B sections of the arena, which will be directly behind the north basket.

Hogan said he believes the north seats are attractive and were the booster seating area last season.

Student fans had a chance to share their opinion on next season's seating situation, during the Montana vs. Weber State game Thursday night.

"The best college crowd in the nation is the Duke crowd, and they're down on each side of the court. I think the students should get the best seats in the crowd," said senior Josh Anderson during halftime.

The sideline portion of the arena that served as the stu-

dent section last season will most likely be converted into seating for priority club members and reserved for media tables, Hogan said.

"I would rather have courtside seats to get at the opposing team and have a better view," said freshman Trey Young, who sat at courtside in Sentinel gym, opposite the reserved student section.

Junior Kelly Peterson had other reasons to sit in the horizontally located section again.

"I want to see it like it was last year so I could watch the Sugar Bears' dance."

She added that the basket blocks her full view.

Student attendance at basketball games has dropped in recent years,

Hogan said. UM currently averages around 600 student fans per game. For "big games," such as those against Montana-rival MSU, student attendance averages around 1,500 a game.

Roughly 2,000 seats will be available for students next year, Hogan said.

"(North A and B) looks like the best option," Hogan said of where the students will fit at the new events center.

Sophomore Pat McDonald looks at the situation with an open attitude about the seats behind the basket.

"The seats would be attractive if it was a Lakers-Rockets game, but I don't think it would be too bad. I'm kind of anxious to see how it turns out," he said.

Another scenario has stu-

dent seating placed in the corners of the stadium.

Hogan said at this juncture, it is still too early to say exactly what will happen to student fans.

"The puzzle is not complete," Hogan said.

The new Dahlberg Arena is projected to open Oct. 1. The exact number of seats has not yet been determined, but will be slightly less than the previous 8,400 seats, Hogan said. About 7,500 seats will be available for basketball games and about 8,000 seats will be open for concert events.

The athletic department will release more definite plans for the event center's seating on Feb. 16.

UM Golf Course open for business

GOLF: Mild temperatures allow course to remain open virtually all season

Scot Heisel
Kaimin Sports Reporter

Apparently, the term "season" no longer applies to golf in Montana.

While many people are waxing their snowboards with visions of snow in the mountains, others are working the kinks out of their pre-summer golf swings down in the valley at the University Golf Course.

With the exception of a few cold weeks and an occasional skiff of snow, recent mild weather conditions have allowed the golf course to remain open throughout virtually the entire winter.

Granted, conditions are not ideal. No carts are available for rental, and both the practice green and the clubhouse are closed. Temporary greens—holes cut into the middle of the fairways about 10 yards in front of the regular greens—have been created for all nine holes.

Still, the opportunity for winter play and the \$5 fee for all-day golf leaves many diehards unable to resist.

"It's unusual to be open this early," says course manager Chris Anderson. "But it's happening. It's been a strange spring."

Actually, spring is still officially six weeks away, but it's hard to blame Anderson for the slip. The grass is turning green, the ground is relatively soft, and apart from a few well-shaded bunkers, the entire course is free of snow.

Weather permitting, Anderson hopes to have the course operating at full speed with regular greens by March 1. That would be one of the earliest opening dates ever. Still, he's cautious about being too optimistic at this point.

"The worst thing that could happen is that we get a big freeze after all of this warm weather," Anderson says. "That could kill everything."

Crowds at the University Golf Course vary from day to day. On a cool weekday afternoon, two or three golfers might share the entire course. According to Anderson, about 50 people showed up to play last Friday when the temperature climbed above 40 degrees.

For now, the course is open from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. every day. The driving range is also available for use.

Dierdorf leaves "Monday Night"

NEW YORK (AP) — The NFL's most high-profile announcing team is undergoing its second major change in two years.

Dan Dierdorf announced Thursday that he is leaving his job as an analyst for ABC's "Monday Night Football" after 12 years at the network, leaving Al Michaels as the only announcer who has been in the booth for more than one season.

"Yesterday, ABC Sports informed my representatives at The Marquee Group that no substantial offer to extend my contract would be forthcoming," Dierdorf's statement said. "Therefore, Sunday's broadcast of the Pro Bowl will be my last for ABC."

Dierdorf's departure had been speculated for weeks, as ABC seemed unwilling to renew his \$1.75 million a year contract. Dierdorf had come under heavy criticism this season as he struggled to mesh with newcomer Boomer Esiason in ABC's three-man booth.

About a replacement, ABC

Sports spokesman Mark Mandel said, "It would be premature to discuss our plans for next season."

With most of the top announcing talent locked up by other networks, ABC probably will have to look to cable partner ESPN for a replacement.

Analyst Sterling Sharpe is one of the leading contenders to replace Dierdorf. But Disney could also decide to move one of ESPN's Sunday night analysts — Paul Maguire or Joe Theismann — to the ABC and plug the less experienced Sharpe into the cable slot.

After last season, Esiason replaced Frank Gifford after 27 years in the booth. That was the first change to ABC's announcing team since Dierdorf joined Michaels and Gifford in 1987.

Dierdorf may have trouble ending up at another network for this upcoming season. Fox has no apparent openings and ESPN is run by the same people who ousted Dierdorf at ABC.

NBA to jump-start abbreviated season tonight

(AP) — It'll start like this: Larry Bird's team will break from a huddle and walk to center court at Market Square Arena.

The place will be rocking, the ball will go up, someone will win the tip and the NBA season — after a bitter lockout, the retirement of Michael Jordan and brief training camps — will finally begin, 94 days late.

"Of course everyone would like to see Michael still in the league, but he is not and the league will continue to go on," Bird said. "And there will be new champions, not only this year but as the years pass."

Bird's team is being cast as the favorite in this abbreviated 50-game season, and Indiana will be the site of the first action as the Pacers play the Washington Wizards in a 7 p.m. EST start.

Another 11 games will be played around the league, mak-

ing for an extremely busy opening night.

Everyone better get used to it. Busy nights will be commonplace in the NBA this season as teams squeeze all their games into just 13 weeks.

"I think you will see a lot more intensity. The only problem I foresee is that if you have a major injury to one of your star players — if he misses a couple weeks — that's a lot of games," Bird said. "I think the team that stays the healthiest has probably got a better opportunity to win."

What remains to be seen is how the fans will respond.

When the baseball strike ended in 1995, the backlash from the public was fierce.

Longtime fans stopped going to games, casual fans stopped watching on TV and a trio of New Yorkers even ran onto the field at Shea Stadium and threw \$1 bills

at the players, a la Abbie Hoffman's famous protest gimmick on the floor of the New York Stock Exchange.

No one is quite certain how any fan backlash might manifest itself in the NBA, but the league has been taking steps to mend fences with its paying customers.

If there's one factor that may draw them back more than anything else, it's the heightened competition that comes with every game meaning a little bit more and every team having a little more of a chance.

"I think the true NBA fans are going to be the ones who obviously were disappointed with the lockout but are just very, very happy that we're back to playing," Knicks coach Jeff Van Gundy said. "What they want to see is good play, hard play, competitive play."

Knicks fans have already

taken a liking to the team's newest scorer, former Golden State guard Latrell Sprewell, who will be playing his first regular-season game in more than 14 months when the Knicks play the Magic.

Elsewhere, it'll be a rematch of the NBA Finals, sort of, when the revamped Bulls travel to Utah to play the Jazz. Chicago will be without several key members of its now-deconstructed dynasty, including Jordan, Scottie Pippen, Dennis Rodman, Luc Longley, Steve Kerr, Jud Buechler and Scott Burrell.

In a sign of how much things have changed since last June, this would-be marquee matchup will not even be shown on national television.

"It's just one of 50 games we've got to play well in to make a run at the playoffs," Karl Malone said. "Michael, Scottie and

Dennis were the Bulls. It's not like that anymore."

The Jazz are widely being picked as the favorite to come out of the West, but the competition will be tougher now that Pippen has joined Hakeem Olajuwon and Charles Barkley in Houston.

Rockets coach Rudy Tomjanovich scoffed when somebody pointed out that his frontcourt is comprised of three Hall of Famers while his backcourt is comprised of considerably less.

"To have three superstars in the lineup at one time is not easy. There is only one basketball, so we have to have some guys who will make sacrifices and be program players," Tomjanovich said.

The next 90 days, and hectic days they will be, will determine who makes the playoffs and tries to succeed the Bulls as champions.

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Harshbarger said. That time of day is when most classes are scheduled, especially on Mondays and Wednesdays, and demand for spots exceeds supply.

Melissa Floyd tries to schedule all of her classes at 8 a.m. to avoid that rush, but the days she does not arrive on campus until 10 a.m. are frustrating ones.

"It can take between 30 to 40

minutes to find a spot," she said, and even that can end in futility. "Sometimes I have to pay for a one-hour parking spot, which is aggravating since I already bought a pass."

Is there any relief in site? Not likely, according to some who have fought for measures to curb parking woes.

Ken Willett, director of

Campus Security, said he likes the idea of spreading classes more evenly throughout the day, thereby avoiding the mid-morning rush. This recommendation has not made it beyond last year's Parking Study and Transportation Task Force.

Similarly, a proposal by some in the administration to build another parking garage was met

with stiff resistance and has all but died, according to ASUM's Kaiser.

Facing the specter of no additional parking, ASUM has been pushing alternative proposals such as encouraging students to ride bikes or using the Mountain Line bus system that provides free rides to Griz Card holders.

Despite these efforts, overall use by students of the free bus rides has dropped. At the current pace this fiscal year, usage by students will be at its lowest level in the last three years.

Mountain Line places the blame on lack of awareness about the program, while others blame it on old habits that are hard to change. Others just want a place to park.

"It sucks (the parking problem)," said student Shane Donohue. "They just need to get more parking spaces."

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Enrollment

Technology in Butte, said expansion would be the way to deal with a flux in enrollment.

"We could expand," Lee said. "But we have a lack of equipment, and our labs are too small."

Alex Capdeville, president of the Helena COT, said his school could schedule late-night and Saturday classes to accommodate more students.

"We're full," Capdeville said. "But there are other ways to look at that."

Capdeville added that his school has grown 26 percent since last year.


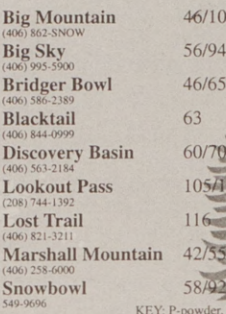
Larum said he's dealt with increasing enrollment by examining his school's programs and constantly reallocating funds from the least popular programs to the more popular ones. Still, he thinks that growth due to decreased tuition at the Missoula COT "may be quite great."

He also said that the lack of room could potentially negate the benefits of decreased tuition. Although it's unlikely, he said, the technology schools might have to raise tuition to get the funds to support a student overload.

"I see that as a double-edged sword," Larum said.

ASUM Senator Seisin Christensen said money should go to improving the technology school's facilities, and that money should not come from UM students.

"The COT facilities really are not up to par," Christensen said. "If they can't hold people as is, how could they provide quality services to people if there was a higher influx of them?"

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